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SERIAL NO.: 08/984,558

FILING DATE: December 3, 1997

TITLE: TWO-PHASE OPTICAL INSPECTION METHOD  
AND APPARATUS FOR DEFECT DETECTION

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Applicants hereby petition to correct Patent Office errors in the  
documentation of the patent application identified above.

Responsive to the Notice of Incomplete Application dated 08/06/98 (copy  
enclosed) received in this application, the designation [1.a] that the Specification  
(description and claims) is missing is clearly in error in view of both the return

postcard receipt (true copy marked Exhibit A, enclosed) and the first official Filing Receipt (Form PTO-103x, true copy marked Exhibit B, enclosed).

From the returned postcard, marked Exhibit A, there is indicated receipt by the U.S. PTO of 59 pages of Specification, Claims, and Abstract (and 41 sheets of drawings) on 12/03/97.

From the official filing receipt, marked Exhibit B, there is indicated a total count of claims = 26, and independent claims = 11 (and drawings = 40), evidently derived from the Specification and Claims that were received on 12/03/97. (A Request For Corrected Filing Receipt was subsequently filed to correct the count of drawings).

Therefore, the Notice of Incomplete Application (Form PTO-1123) is in error because the Specification (description and claims) was not missing as originally filed on 12/03/97. If missing now, attributable to Patent Office handling subsequent to the initial filing, that should be indicated differently than by imposing the burden on this Petition upon Applicants and jeopardizing the pending status of the subject application.

By this Petition, Applicants respectfully request:

- a) designation that all parts of the subject application, including the Specification (description and claims), were properly filed on 12/03/97 and therefore are not missing; and
- b) correction of the Patent Office error on the corrected filing receipt to indicate 41 drawings that were received as originally filed; and
- c) refund of the enclosed Petition fee.

A Petition fee of \$130.00 in accordance with 37 CFR §1.17(I) is enclosed, the refund of which, due to Patent Office errors, is requested to be credited to Deposit Account No. 19-2555. A duplicate copy of this credit authorization is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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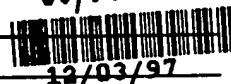


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TITLE

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EXHIBIT B